



# SYNOPSIS

Senate Bills and Joint Resolutions  
2013 Maryland General Assembly Session

**February 8, 2013**  
**Schedule 23**

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## **SENATE BILLS INTRODUCED February 8, 2013**

### **SB 876     Senator DeGrange**

#### **CORRECTIONAL SERVICES – STANDARDS FOR CORRECTIONAL FACILITIES – FUNDING**

Repealing a prohibition on the use of State funds to implement specified standards for State correctional facilities.

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2013

CS, § 8-104 - repealed

Assigned to: Senate Rules

### **SB 877     Senator Manno**

#### **PROJECT OPEN SPACE – USE OF FUNDS – ARTIFICIAL TURF SURFACES**

Prohibiting the use of specified funds under Program Open Space to build new or to replace specified athletic fields with artificial or synthetic turf surfaces; etc.

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2013

NR, §§ 5-903(g) and 5-905(a) - amended and § 5-903(i) - added

Assigned to: Senate Rules

### **Department of Legislative Services**

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**SB 878     Senator Manno****PROCUREMENT – PREVAILING WAGE RATES FOR SCHOOL CONSTRUCTION – APPLICATION**

Repealing the limitation on the applicability of the prevailing wage rate law to the construction of an elementary or secondary school by revising the definition of public body.

Preliminary analysis: local government mandate

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2013

SF, § 17-201 - amended

Assigned to: Senate Rules

**SB 879     Senators Edwards and Brinkley****NATURAL GAS SEVERANCE TAX AND IMPACT ACCOUNT**

Imposing a tax on the production of natural gas from specified wells in the State; setting the rate of the tax at 2.5% of gross fair market value of natural gas produced; providing for the administration of the tax by the Comptroller; providing for the distribution of revenue from the tax; establishing the Natural Gas Impact Account as a special, nonlapsing fund in the Oil and Gas Fund; requiring the Department of the Environment to administer the Account; specifying the contents of the Account; etc.

This bill requires a mandated appropriation in the annual budget bill.

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2013

TG, Various Sections - added and amended and EN, § 14-124.1 - added

Assigned to: Senate Rules

**SB 880     Senator Getty****PUBLIC INFORMATION ACT – ELECTRONIC MAIL ADDRESS – DATABASE AND DISCLOSURE**

Authorizing a unit or an instrumentality of the State or of a political subdivision to maintain specified electronic mail addresses in a specified database; specifying that the database is confidential and not a public record; prohibiting the database from being disclosed in its entirety except under specified circumstances; establishing the circumstances under which a unit or an instrumentality is required and is authorized to disclose the database in its entirety; etc.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2013

SG, § 10-624.1 - added

Assigned to: Senate Rules

**SB 881 Senator Middleton****COMMUNITY HEALTH RESOURCES COMMISSION – REVISIONS**

Authorizing the Community Health Resources Commission to contract with a specified third party for specified services; prohibiting a specified third party from releasing, publishing, or using in a specified manner specified information; providing that the power of the Secretary of Health and Mental Hygiene over a specified procurement procedure does not apply to the Commission; providing that, when procuring services or supplies, the Commission is subject to specified provisions of law; etc.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2013

HG, §§ 19-2107 and 19-2201(e)(1) - amended and § 19-2108(c) - added

Assigned to: Senate Rules

**SB 882 Senator Colburn****CREATION OF A STATE DEBT – TALBOT COUNTY – OXFORD COMMUNITY CENTER**

Authorizing the creation of a State Debt not to exceed \$100,000, the proceeds to be used as a grant to the Board of Trustees of the Oxford Community Center, Inc. for the repair, renovation, and capital equipping of the Oxford Community Center, located in Talbot County; providing for disbursement of the loan proceeds, subject to a requirement that the grantee provide and expend a matching fund; establishing a deadline for the encumbrance or expenditure of the loan proceeds; etc.

EFFECTIVE JUNE 1, 2013

Assigned to: Senate Rules

**SB 883 Senator Ferguson****CREATION OF A STATE DEBT – BALTIMORE CITY – THE BALTIMORE MUSEUM OF INDUSTRY CAPITAL IMPROVEMENTS**

Authorizing the creation of a State Debt not to exceed \$250,000, the proceeds to be used as a grant to the Board of Trustees of The Baltimore Museum of Industry, Inc. for the construction, repair, renovation, and capital equipping of The Baltimore Museum of Industry, located in Baltimore City; providing for disbursement of the loan proceeds, subject to a requirement that the grantee provide and expend a matching fund; establishing a deadline for the encumbrance or expenditure of the loan proceeds; etc.

EFFECTIVE JUNE 1, 2013

Assigned to: Senate Rules

**SB 884     Senator Ferguson****CREATION OF A STATE DEBT – BALTIMORE CITY – CREATIVE ALLIANCE PROJECT**

Authorizing the creation of a State Debt not to exceed \$250,000, the proceeds to be used as a grant to the Board of Trustees of Fells Point Creative Alliance, Inc. for the planning, design, repair, renovation, and capital equipping of the Creative Alliance building, located in Baltimore City; providing for disbursement of the loan proceeds, subject to a requirement that the grantee provide and expend a matching fund; etc.

EFFECTIVE JUNE 1, 2013

Assigned to: Senate Rules

**SB 885     Senator Colburn****STATE RETIREMENT AND PENSION SYSTEM – BOARD OF TRUSTEES – COUNTY REPRESENTATION**

Adding two trustees to the Board of Trustees for the State Retirement and Pension System to represent the interests of county governments; establishing the qualifications of the trustees; providing for the appointment of the trustees; and providing that the trustees serve staggered terms.

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2013

SP, § 21-104 - amended

Assigned to: Senate Rules

**SB 886     Senator Stone****VEHICLE LAWS – MANUFACTURERS, DISTRIBUTORS, AND FACTORY BRANCHES – COMPENSATION OF DEALERS**

Requiring a manufacturer, distributor, or factory branch licensed in the State to specify in writing to its motor vehicle dealers specified information relating to the compensation of dealers for parts and labor; establishing requirements for the reasonable compensation of dealers for specified parts and labor; providing for the calculation of a dealer's labor rate and parts mark-up percentage for specified purposes; prohibiting a licensee from taking specified actions relating to compensation of a dealer; etc.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2013

TR, § 15-212 - amended

Assigned to: Senate Rules

**SB 887 Senator Garagiola****PUBLIC UTILITIES – SOLAR PHOTOVOLTAIC SYSTEMS**

Specifying the contents of an application for a certificate of public convenience and necessity for a generating station that produces electricity from a specified solar photovoltaic system; altering the process by which the Department of Planning shall forward a specified application for a certificate of public convenience and necessity; exempting a generating station that produces electricity from a specified solar photovoltaic system from a specified requirement to obtain a certificate for public convenience and necessity; etc.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2013

PU, §§ 7-207(b) and (c) and 7-207.1 and SG, § 9-20B-05(e) - amended and  
PU, § 7-207.2 - added

Assigned to: Senate Rules

**SB 888 Senator Garagiola****TASK FORCE TO STUDY TEMPORARY DISABILITY INSURANCE PROGRAMS**

Establishing the Task Force to Study Temporary Disability Insurance Programs; providing for the composition, chair, and staffing of the Task Force; prohibiting a member of the Task Force from receiving specified compensation, but authorizing the reimbursement of specified expenses; requiring the Task Force to study and make recommendations regarding specified matters; and requiring the Task Force to report its findings and recommendations to the Governor and the General Assembly on or before December 1, 2013; etc.

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